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Rumored Plot to Blow Up the French Chamber of Deputies—President Barillas Making Trouble—Blucher's Grandson Badly in Need of a Divorce.

DUBLIN, Dec. 31.—The financial office of Dublin Castle has been wrecked by an explosion. The disaster is said to have been caused by dynamite, and the Fenian party, as usual, is credited with bringing about the explosion. As yet nothing definite is known as to the real cause of the wrecking of the department, though the wildest rumors are afloat.

President Barillas' Tricks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The Herald's special cablegram from San Salvador says: The police of this city to-day arrested a Spaniard who was acting suspiciously, and found on his person letters addressed to Gen. Feguerva and signed with the name of President Barrillas of Guatemala. These letters offer money and arms to Gen. Feguerva to start a revolution in Salvador. It is positively stated here that it can be proved that President Barrillas was the instigator of the recent revolution in Honduras, which has not yet been entirely suppressed. President Barrillas' plan seems to have been to inaugurate rebellion in both Honduras and Salvador, and to have a sham revolt take in Guatemala at the same time, in order that he might declare the last named republic in a state of siege, thus affording him an excuse for a "coup d'etat." It is said that Barrillas is planning to have himself proclaimed dictator, so as to give him the opportunity to put off the elections. President Ezeta is said to be in receipt daily of insulting telegrams from President Barrillas, which are delivered at Ezeta's own house.

Another Mercier Steal.

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—It is stated that Mercier, acting in an official capacity as Premier of Quebec, but without being authorized to do so by an order in council, and consequently without sanction of the crown, passed a contract with Langlais, of St. Roche, in virtue of which he was to furnish all the goods in his line required in every public office in the province for four years, no contract price being stipulated. Two letters of credit for $30,000 each were given Langlais and are now under discount at one of the city banks. Although Langlais received $60,000 of the people's money, it is alleged he only furnished $10,000 worth of stationery. Rumor has it the ex-minister, or his son, is deeply interested in this or other stationery contracts.

C. P. R. Operations at Toronto.

TORONTO, Dec. 30.—Unusual interest was excited at the Osler mayoralty meeting last night by the announcement that Mr. Osler in his recent trip to England had made arrangements for establishing a great line of steamers to Niagara, and further, that the Canadian Pacific Railway, of which he is a director, has resolved to build a great hotel here, rivalling the Windsor in Montreal.

Blucher's Grandson.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Ferdinand Franz Gebhard Lebecht, Count Blucher Von Wahlstadt, had a long consultation yesterday with ex-District Attorney Ambrose H. Purdy, for the purpose of bringing a suit in the Supreme Court for divorce against his wife, who is now living with her sister-in-law at Aspen, Colo. The grounds alleged by Count Blucher for the annulment of the marriage contract are very sensational, being substantially that he was forced to marry the girl through trick and device. Count Blucher is the grandson of the Prince of Wahlstadt, the Prussian field marshal, who, on that memorable June 18, 1815, rendered important aid at the battle of Waterloo. Count Blucher's father is the Prince Von Blucher, who lives at the Castle Reiblowitz, Sclestein, Germany. The Prince Von Blucher is one of the wealthiest men in Germany, and he has an income from this estate of over 3500,000 a year, while the young Count, who has hardly passed his 21th birthday, says that he has been trying to get a divorce on the ground that he was tricked into marriage. The real reason for his sudden activity on the divorce question is found in the letters which he recently received from the Prince Blucher, his father. The reporter read them, and they show that the Prince is very angry at his son for marrying a woman beneath him in rank. "What a terrible thing it would be," says the Prince, "if that woman should knock at the door of the Blucher palace and say, "I would like to see my father-in-law, the Prince." Such a disgrace would kill me. You have ruined the family name. You must get a divorce from this woman at once. I banish you forever from castle Reiblowitz unless you come with a divorce and ask for giveness. I will cut off your income, reduce you to a pittance, and will change the right of inheritance by Imperial decree and cut you off if you do not get this divorce. The Count sees poverty staring him in the face, and he must get a divorce to satisfy his father. He says that he has no money, and wrote his father yesterday asking forgiveness and for funds to carry on the divorce suit. He will make an arrangement to go on with the divorce to-day, and expects that a friend will advance him the money for a retainer. The Countess Blucher was formerly Miss Alma Loeb. Her home is in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Street Car Patents.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 30.—Rumors in reference to patents being received by Hon. O. R. Kelly, covering the entire electric street car system now in general use, has caused a vast amount of speculation in this city, Kelly's home. By decision of the Supreme Court of the district of Columbia, and by receipt of letters of patent December 15 last, Kelly, it is asserted, becomes possessed of all features, appliances, and principles used in the electric street car systems manufactured by the Thomson-Houston company, Westinghouse company and all others.

NEW WESTMINSTER NOTES.

Attempted Suicide—Plenty of Snow—The Ferry Failed.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 32.—John MacLean attempted to jump into the river last night, with the intention of committing suicide. He was caught on the spring by Constable Dominy and taken to the lockup. On being searched a four-ounce flask, empty, which had contained a strong opiate, was found in one of his pockets. John had an awful night with snakes, and filled the whole neighborhood with howlings. It is said he wanted to die in the worst way. Probably he will be relegated to the asylum for a short spell.

The Catholics of this city just issued the first number of a monthly magazine called the Month. It is very creditable.

Heavy snow is falling here, and the sleighing will be splendid if it keeps on a couple of hours more. The boys are having a fine time coasting on the hillside walks.

The train from Seattle reached South Westminster at 11 p.m., with thirty passengers for Westminster. There was no ferry, and they had to sleep in barn lofts, cars, baggage room, etc. There is a great outcry here to-day over the shameful mismanagement of the ferry. The boat was signaled from the other side, but refused to take any notice.

The printer's ball this evening in the Opera House gives promise of being very grand.

The chief of police raided a Chinese gambling den last night and caught two proprietors and a lot of tools.

An Oregon Train Wreck.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 30.—The Union Pacific fast mail train No. 1, which left here last evening, met with an accident when about two miles west of the city. Engineer R. E. Law, Fireman George Law and a tramp named Zuminski were instantly killed, and another tramp named Sigmur was fatally injured. The train was being drawn by two engines. The head one was a huge ninety-ton hog. It is supposed that in rounding a curve the head engine cause the rails to spread. The engine, mail and baggage car were precipitated into the river below. Mail Agent Holloway had a miraculous escape. Although his car plunged into the river from an elevation of 50 feet, he sustained slight bruises only. None of the passengers were injured.

Butchery at Yemen.

VIENNA, Dec. 30.—A letter is published here describing the ten weeks' siege of Yemen by the Arabs. The town was under bombardment daily, while a terrible famine prevailed in Yemen. Every person venturing out of the town to attempt to procure food was driven back naked, with nose and ears cut off, or otherwise mutilated, the insurgent chief declaring he would convert the Yemen Jews to Islamism or exterminate them. When the Turks relieved the city a general butchery of prisoners occurred on both sides.

Dynamite Plot in Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—The Soleil to-day says it is rumored that a plot has been discovered among the members of the Russian colony to destroy by dynamite the Chamber of Deputies and the Russian Embassy. A number of Russian refugees are said to have been arrested on the charge of being concerned in the plot.

Injured by His Insane Son.

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 31.—Silas Corbett, a prominent farmer of Amherst Point, was attacked and ferociously beaten by his insane son on Christmas eve. The boy was arrested. The father is in a critical condition.

Watching Garcia's Men.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—United States troops are concentrated along the Mexican border in Texas to prevent depredations by the Mexican revolutionists.

Detective Caddy Dead.

TORONTO, Dec. 31.—John Cuddy, one of the best known members of the Toronto detective force, died yesterday of typhoid fever.

WHARF AND WAVE.

Jottings of Interest to Marine Men Concisely Compiled.

Bark City of Carlisle has gone to the outer dock to load salmon.

The iron ship Ben Nevis is on the berth at Glasgow loading for Vancouver.

Steamer Victorian did not leave for the Sound to-day on account of the wind.

Steamer Etta White, arriving at Vancouver from Beebby Bay, brings reports of very rough weather.

Capt. Debney, of the steamer City of Puebla, states that the deck hands of that vessel have been mutinous and refused to shift cargo when the safety of the ship demanded it. A complaint has been lodged with the Seamen's Union.

The British ship Josephine Troop, Capt. Scott, has been posted at Lloyd's, London, as missing. She sailed from Glasgow on May 1st for 'Frisco with a cargo of coal, consigned to J. D. Spreckels & Bros. On May 18th she was spoken in latitude 26 north, and since that time has not been heard from. She is now out 248 days from Glasgow.

The steamer Evangel, which was wrecked some time ago by the explosion of her boilers, will be again ready for service in about a month. She is being made almost entirely new. Her boiler is to be half-inch steel. She will have a nice, comfortable ladies' cabin, and twelve staterooms are to be placed on her. She will be lighted throughout by electricity.

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MR. DAVIE'S STATEMENT

OF MR. BELYEA'S ALLEGED MALVERSATION OF OFFICE.

He Thinks it Was Improper For Mr. Belyea to Act as He Did—Mr. Taylor Cross-Examines the Attorney-General—The Commission's Source.

The County Court, where Hon. Mr. Justice Crease sat this morning on the Royal Commission to enquire into certain charges against Mr. A. L. Belyea, P.M., was well filled this morning by an interested crowd.

Mr. Davie, Attorney-General, took the witness stand. He stated that May came to me on Friday the 5th of Sept. and told me that his daughter, aged 16, was being detained by the Frieds, who had taken her away from her parents at Seattle. I at once wrote a note which I told him to take to Mr. Sheppard, city police superintendent; that the proper place to make such a complaint was in the police court. He told me, to my surprise, that he had already been to the police court, had seen the police magistrate, and had been met with a demand for $20 before anything could be done. I at once concluded that the matter required to be looked into. I made an appointment for May to come to the Attorney-General's office next day, and I at once sent one of the provincial constables with either a note or message requesting Mr. Belyea to meet me there also. I took a clerk with me for the purpose of taking down in shorthand what transpired. I reduced May's statement into writing in the form of a declaration the same as is now before the commission. He gave me the particulars himself, which I carefully extracted from him. I resently Mr. Belyea came over to my room, where there were also May, the clerk I mentioned and myself. I then read to Mr. Belyea the statement of August May, which had at that time neither been signed nor sworn to by him. It was the draft of that now before the commission. After I had read it Mr. Belyea proceeded to make a statement, but when he had proceeded a little way the shorthand reporter passed me a note saying that he was unable to follow. He spoke too quickly. I made notes myself. They are rough, imperfect notes.

Mr. Davie read these notes, which were practically the same as set out in Mr. Belyea's reply.

After having listened to Mr. Belyea and after he had left I handed the draft declaration to my clerk, telling him to make me two or three copies on the type-writer. He returned shortly after with the copies, one of which is the declaration before the court. I then took him to Mr. Shotbolt, J.P., where the document was carefully read over to him and he swore to it; at the same time making an information against Fried. I may state it is a criminal offence to take a girl under the age of 16 years out of the care of her parents without their consent.

On the following Monday, 7th Sept., I think it was, I sent the following letter to Mr. Belyea:

VICTORIA, B.C., Sept. 7, 1891.

A. L. Belyea, Police Magistrate, City:—

SIR:—I beg to enclose copy of the declaration of August May which I read to you in the Attorney-General's office on Saturday last, when you stated the substance of the matter to be that, upon Mr. May laying his case before you as Police Magistrate you could do nothing for him, but that for a fee of $20 you would, as his legal adviser, apply to the Supreme Court for a writ of habeas corpus, which course you conceived to be the proper one in the case, in view of the girl being under the age of 16 years; that you had not advised Fried in the matter, but that he had taken the advice of Messrs. Eberts & Taylor; that you had not, as stated by Mr. May, informed him that his daughter had been to your office, and that the reason why May would not pay the $20 was that you and your partner would not give him a guarantee of success.

I have to inform you that it is my intention to further lay the facts of this case before His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and I shall also be prepared to lay before the Government any other matters which you may wish to urge in relation to the statements contained in the enclosed declaration.

I have the honor to be, sir,
your obedient servant,
THEODORE DAVIE, A. G.

To this Mr. Belyea replied:—

September 9th, 1891.

Hon. Theo. Davie, Q.C., Atty.-General, City:

SIR,—Yours of yesterday, enclosing declaration of August May, received and contents noted. I take this opportunity to say, pending the proceedings now before me in the police court, I do not think it advisable that I should make any reply to the declaration at present, but as soon as the proceedings referred to are closed I shall make a full reply. Your obedient servant,
A. L. BELYEA.

Subsequently, on the 9th September, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Belyea's partner, handed me the declaration of Mr. Belyea, which is now before the court, and in which he gives his version of the matter. That was accompanied by an affidavit of Hy. Sheppard and Francis B. Gregory. It is not usual to keep draft documents, but occasionally you do see them lying about, and I was under the impression that I must have the draft of August May. I looked for it in my department, but unfortunately I have not been able to find it. There was about this time a complaint against the official magistrate of Vancouver in which I made a preliminary investigation, laying both matters before the Executive. Consequently this commission. Mr. Belyea in his letter of 8th September speaks of pending proceedings in the police court. Those were the hearing of the abduction case against the Frieds which he dismissed, giving a written reason, of which that was a copy. I don't know how it was given to me.

Mr. Belyea—You sent a shorthand reporter up there to take it and I gave him the original.

Mr. Davie—I didn't send a shorthand reporter, he may have gone there.

Mr. Belyea—Oh, you did send him there.

Mr. Davie read the decision in question, which has already been published.

Mr. Belyea—The official court stenographer, Mr. Evans, came to me and said he had been sent up to report the decision. I gave him the original, and he has typewritten it again.

Mr. Davie—It is very likely that he was sent up there; I didn't send him up. After that a fresh information was laid against the Frieds; the girl was found and restored to her father and mother. Fried and his wife were committed for trial, but when the Assizes came on I did not think it was in the interests of justice to expose this girl in an Assize Court.

Mr. Taylor, cross-examining—I had no complaint in this case. That was the course the executive took on my advice. If you wish to have my opinion I think Mr. Belyea acted in a most improper manner. His conduct in my opinion led May to believe that there was no justice for him unless he paid $20. If I had been treated in the same way I should have had the same impression, if I were not a lawyer. This man May went to the Police Magistrate complaining of a matter that Mr. Belyea should have done as a Police Magistrate. Instead of that Mr. Belyea beckoned him to his office and demanded a fee of $20. There was no reason why if May misconceived what the magistrate ought to do, he should have acted as he did. I think it would have been very proper to make Mr. Fried prove whether he got the girl innocently. If the girl were at service and in a respectable house it would not have been proper to take a criminal course. I was present when the information was laid before Mr. Shotbolt, J.P. It would have been most improper to have made such an information before Mr. Belyea after his connection with the case. It was a proper course that was taken to procure the restoration of the girl; a habeas corpus would have been a wholly improper course. The object of the criminal law is to secure the custody of the child for its parents and punish the offenders. That was my primary object. I had more in my mind the procuring of the child rather than punishing the Frieds. I had no fresh evidence on the second charge. The essentials of the case were unquestionably before Mr. Belyea, but it was not advisable in this case to lay an indictment before the grand jury. I am vested with discretion in these cases and I think I used it rightly. I could imagine nothing more liable to force a girl to life of shame than to cause her to undergo the ordeal of a public enquiry of this nature, and it was for that reason that I did not bring her. She could have given material evidence in the case, sufficient to have convicted the Frieds. I am speaking as a lawyer, what view a jury would take of it I don't know. I had formed no intention of going on with the case when the charge was laid, but my intentions were made shortly after the girl went away. The girl has been restored to her friends and the Frieds have left the country. I think that that was a good object attained.

In answer to Mr. Taylor, Mr. Davie stated that suspicion of stealing had fallen on the girl after she returned home, but she had been dismissed on her merits. Now she is working for an honest living instead of leading a life of shame as she would probably have been if she had been left with the Frieds. I found that very closely connected with her would have been a woman who was a very notorious character. This came under my notice outside the court.

There was no screen in the Attorney-General's office, behind which the shorthand reporter sat when Mr. Belyea was there. The latter's statement was not produced simply because the shorthand man broke down. Mr. Davie was further examined on the various paragraphs of the affidavits of May and Mr. Belyea, which he affirmed so far as they stated. The duty of communicating with Mr. Belyea about the commission was the duty of the deputy provincial secretary and owing to a misunderstanding notice was sent from the Attorney-General's office and Provincial Secretary's office on the 17th September. The commission was issued on the 4th. There was some other correspondence after that between the Attorney-General's office and Mr. Belyea. The first letter was from Mr. Belyea, asking for a copy of the specific charges, and a reply was written to the effect that the complaints were contained in the declaration of August May. There was a further demand made by Mr. Belyea, and the department repeated its statement of the previous letter. A further demand was made and there was no reply received to it. The reason why a habeas corpus would not have been a proper course was that it would have given the girl leave to go where she pleased. Is there any doubt, under the circumstances, as to where the girl would have gone in this instance?

At this stage the court adjourned till Tuesday next at 10:30.

PERSONAL.

Movements of Well Known People in Various Directions.

Capt. Carroll came over from the Sound last evening.

James Begg of Wellington is in the city for New Year's.

C. J. Koefold, the representative of the Vulcan Iron Works, of San Francisco, is in the city.

B. Gordon will be a passenger for San Francisco on the steamer Umatilla, which sails on Saturday.

Superintendent of Indian Affairs A. W. Vowell, who has been ill for some days, is able to be out again, but his whole office staff almost has been confined to the house also with the prevailing cold.

CANADA'S EL DORADO.

BRITISH COLUMBIA AND ITS GREAT RESOURCES.

The Aborigines—Studying Ethnology Under Difficulties—The Mineral Wealth of the Province—Mines and Miners of the Past—Rich Prospects.

[Continued from yesterday.]

To any one who threads the vast silent forests of the interior, or journeys upon the trafficless waterways, or, gun in hand, explores the mountains for game, the infrequency with which Indians are met becomes impressive. The province seems almost unpeopled. The reason is that the majority of the Indians were ever on the coast, where the water yielded food at all times and in plenty. The natives of the interior were not well fed or prosperous when the first white men found them, and since then small-pox, measles, vice and starvation have thinned them terribly. Their graveyards are a feature of the scenery which all travellers in the province remember. From the railroad they may be seen along the Fraser, each grave apparently having a shed built over it, and a cross rising from the earth beneath the shed. They had various burial customs, but a majority buried their dead in this way, with queerly carved or painted sticks above them, where the cross now testifies to the work at the "missions." Some Indians marked a man's burial-place with his canoe and his gun; some still box their dead and leave the boxes on top of the earth, while others bury their boxes. Among the southern tribes a man's horse was often killed, and his skin decked the man's grave; while in the far north it was the custom among the Stickeens to slaughter the personal attendants of a chief when he died. The Indians along the Skeena River cremated their dead, and sometimes hung the ashes in boxes to the family totem pole. The Hydahs, the fierce natives of certain of the islands, have given up cremation, but they used to believe that if they did not burn a man's body their enemies would make charms from it. Polygamy flourished on the coast, and monogamy in the interior, but the contrast was due to the difference in the worldly wealth of the Indians. Wives had to be bought and fed, and the woodsmen could only afford one apiece.

To return to their canoes, which most distinguish them. When a dugout is hollowed and steamed, a prow and stern are added of separate wood. The prow is always a work of art, and greatly beautifies the boat. It is in form like the breast, neck, and bill of a bird, but the head is intended to represent that of a savage animal, and is so painted. A mouth is cut into it, ears are carved on it, and eyes are painted on the sides; bands of gray paint are put upon the neck, and the whole exterior of the boat is then painted red or black, with an ornamental line of another color along the edge or gunwale. The sailors sit upon the bottom of the boat, and propel it with paddles. Upon the water these swift vessels, with their fierce heads uplifted before their long sleuder bodies, appear like great serpents or nondescript marine monsters, yet they are pretty and graceful withal. While still holding aloof from the ethnologists' contention, I yet may add that a bookseller in Victoria came into the possession of a packet of photographs taken by an amateur traveler in the interior of China, and on my first visit to the province, nearly four years ago, I found, in looking through these views, several Chinese boats which were strangely and remarkably like the dugouts of the provincial Indians. They were too small in the pictures for it to be possible to decide whether they were built up or dug out, but in general they were of the same external appearance, and each one bore the upraised animal-head prow, shaped and painted like those I could see one block away from the bookseller's shop in Victoria. But such are not the canoes used by the Indians of the interior. From the Kootenay near our border to the Cassiar in the far north, a cigar shaped canoe seems to be the general native vehicle. These are sometimes made of a sort of scroll of bark, and sometimes they are dugouts made of cottonwood logs. They are narrower than either the cedar dugouts of the coast or the birch-bark canoes of our Indians, but they are roomy, and fit for the most dangerous and deft work in threading the rapids which everywhere cut up the navigation of the streams of the province into separate reaches. The Rev. Dr. Gordon, in his notes upon a journey in this province, likens these canoes to horse-troughs, but those I saw in the Kootenay country were of the shape of those cigars that are pointed at both ends.

Whether these canoes are like any in Tartary or China or Japan, I do not know. My only quest for special information of that character proved disappointing. One man in a city of British Columbia is said to have studied such matters more deeply and to more purpose than all the others, but those who referred me to him cautioned me that he was eccentric.

"You don't know where these Indians came from, eh?" the savant replied to my first question. "Do you know how oyster shells got on top of the Rocky Mountains? You don't, eh? Well, I know a woman who went to a dentist's yesterday to have eighteen teeth pulled. Do you know why women prefer artificial teeth to those which God has given them? You don't, eh? Why, man, you don't know anything."

While we were—or he was—conversing, a laboring man who carried a sickle came to the open door, and was asked what he wanted.

"I wish to cut your thistles, sir," said he.

"Thistles?" said the savant, disturbed at the interruption. "—— the thistles! We are talking about Indians."

Nevertheless, when the laborer had gone, he had left the subject of thistles uppermost in the savant's mind, and the conversation took so erratic a turn that it might well have been introduced haphazard into Tristram Shandy.

"About thistles," said the savant, laying a gentle hand upon my knee. "Do you know that they are the Scotchmen's totems? Many years ago a Scotchman, sundered from his native land, must needs set up his totem; a thistle, here in this country, and now, sir, the thistle is such a curse that I am haled up twice a year and fined for having them in my yard."

But nearly enough has been here said of the native population. Though the Indians boast dozens of tribal names, and almost every island on the coast and village in the interior seems the home of a separate tribe, they will be found much alike—dirty, greasy, sore-eyed, short-legged, and with their unkempt hair cut squarely off, as if a pot had been upturned over it to guide the operation. The British Columbians do not trouble about their tribal divisions, but use the old traders' Chinook terms, and call every male a "siwash" and every woman a "klootchman."

Since the highest Canadian authority upon the subject predicts that the northern half of the Cordilleran ranges will admit of as high a metalliferous development as that of the southern half in our Pacific States, it is important to review what has been done in mining, and what is thought of the future of that industry in the Province. It may almost be said that the history of gold-mining there is the history of British Columbia. Victoria, the capital, was a Hudson Bay post established in 1843, and Vancouver, Queen Charlotte's, and the other islands, as well as the Mainland, were of interest to only a few white men as parts of a great fur trading field with a small Indian population. The first nugget of gold was found at what is now called Gold Harbor, on the west coast of Queen Charlotte Islands, by an Indian woman, in 1851. A part of it, weighing four or five ounces, was taken by the Indians to Fort Simpson and sold. The Hudson Bay Company, which has done a little in every line of business in its day, sent a brigantine to the spot, and found a quartz vein traceable eighty feet, and yielding a high percentage of gold. Blasting was begun, and the vessel was loaded with ore, but she was lost on the return voyage. An American vessel, ashore at Esquimalt, near Victoria, was purchased, renamed the Recovery, and sent to Gold Harbor with thirty miners, who worked the mine until the vessel was loaded and sent to England. News of the mine travelled, and in another year a small fleet of vessels came up from San Francisco; but the supply was seen to be very limited, and after $20,000 in all had been taken out, the field was abandoned.

In 1855 gold was found by a Hudson Bay Company's employe at Fort Colville, now in Washington State, near the boundary. Some Thompson River (B.C.) Indians who went to Walla Walla spread a report there that gold, like that discovered at Colville, was to be found in the valley of the Thompson. A party of Canadians and half-breeds went to the region referred to, and found placers nine miles above the mouth of the river. By 1858 the news and the authentication of it stirred the miners of California, and an astonishing invasion of the virgin province began. It is said that in the spring of 1858 more than 20,000 persons reached Victoria from San Francisco by sea, distending the little fur-trading post of a few hundred inhabitants into what would even now be called a considerable city; a city of canvas, however. Simultaneously a third as many miners made their way to the new province on land. But the land was covered with mountains and dense forests, the only route to its interior for them was the violent, almost boiling, Fraser River, and there was nothing on which the lives of this horde of men could be sustained. By the end of the year out of nearly 30,000 adventurers only a tenth part remained. Those who did stay worked the river bars of the lower Fraser until in five months they had shipped from Victoria more than half a million dollars' worth of gold. From a historical point of view it is a peculiar coincidence that in 1858, when the attention of the world was thus first attracted to this new country, the charter of the Hudson Bay Company expired, and the territory passed from its control to become like any other crown colony.

In 1860 the gold miners, seeking the source of the "flour" gold they found in such abundance in the bed of the river, pursued their search into the heart and almost the centre of that forbidding and unbroken territory. The Quesnel River became the seat of their operations. Two years later came another extraordinary immigration. This was not surprising, for 1500 miners had in one year (1861) taken out $2,000,000 in gold-dust from certain creeks in what is called the Cariboo district, and one can imagine (if one does not remember) what fabulous tales were based upon this fact. The second stampede was of persons from all over the world, but chiefly from England, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. After that there were new "finds" almost every year, and the miners worked gradually northward until, about 1874, they had travelled through the province, in at one end and out at the other, and were working the tributaries of the Yukon River in the north, beyond the 60th parallel. Mr. Dawson estimates that the total yield of gold between 1858 and 1888 was $34,108,804; the average number of miners employed each year was 2775, and the average earnings per man were $622.

In his report, published by order of Parliament, Mr. Dawson says that while gold is so generally distributed over the province that scarcely a stream of any importance fails to show at least "colors" of the metal, the principal discoveries clearly indicate that the most important mining districts are in the systems of mountains and high plateaus lying to the southwest of the Rocky Mountains and parallel in direction to them.

This mountain system next to and southwest of the Rockies is called, for convenience, the Gold Range, but it comprises a complex belt "of several more or less distinct and partly overlapping ranges"—the Purcell, Selkirk and Columbia ranges in the south, and in the north the Cariboo, Omenica, and Cassiar ranges. "This series or system constitutes the most important metalliferous belt of the province. The richest gold fields are closely related to it, and discoveries of metalliferous lodes are reported in abundance from all parts of it which have been explored. The deposits already made known are very varied in character, including highly argentiferous galenas and other silver ores and auriferous quartz veins." This same authority asserts that the Gold Range is continued by the Cabinet, Cœur d'Alene, and Bitter Root mountains in our country. While there is no single well-developed gold field as in California, the extent of territory of a character to occasion a hopeful search for gold is greater in the province than in California. The average man of business to whom visitors speak of the min-

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12:01 a.m.	Ar	Port Townsend	Lv	10:30 a.m.
12:30 a.m.	Lv	Port Townsend	Ar	10:15 a.m.
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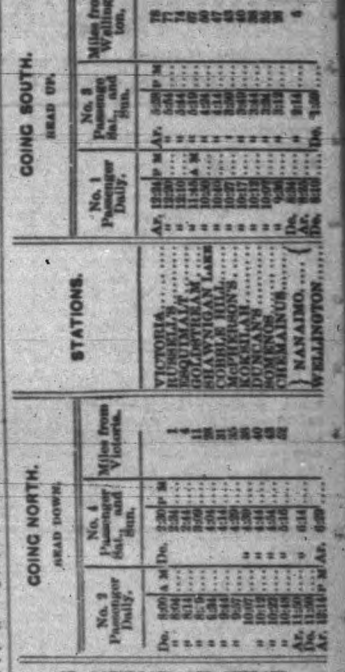

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CANADA'S EL DORADO.

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ing prospects of the province is apt to declare that all that has been lacking is the discovery of one grand mine and the enlistment of capital (from the United States, they generally say) to work it. Mr. Dawson speaks to the same point, and incidentally accounts for the retarded development in his statement that one noteworthy difference between practically the entire area of the province and that of the Pacific States has been occasioned by the spread and movement of ice over the province during the glacial period. This produced changes in the distribution of surface materials and directions of drainage, concealed beneath "drifts" the indications to which prospectors farther south are used to trust, and by other means obscured the outcrops of veins which would otherwise be well marked. The dense woods, the broken navigation of the rivers, in detached reaches, the distance from the coast of the richest districts, and the cost of labor supplies and machinery—all these are additional and weighty reasons for the slowness of development. But this was true of the past and is not of the present, at least so far as southern British Columbia is concerned. Railroads are reaching up into it from our country and down from the transcontinental Canadian Railway, and capital, both Canadian and American, is rapidly swelling an already heavy investment in many new and promising mines. Here it is silver mining that is achieving importance.

Other ores are found in the province. The iron which has been located or worked is principally on the islands—Queen Charlotte, Vancouver, Texada and the Walker group. Most of the ores are magnetites, and that which alone has been worked—on Texada Island—is of excellent quality. The output of copper from the province is likely soon to become considerable. Masses of it have been found from time to time in various parts of the province—in the Vancouver series of islands, on the mainland coast and in the interior. Its constant and rich association with silver shows lead to be abundant in the country, but it needs the development of transport facilities to give it value. Platinum is more likely to attain importance as a product in this than in any other part of North America. On the coast the granites are of such quality and occur in such abundance as to lead to the belief that their quarrying will one day be an important source of income, and there are marbles, sandstones, and ornamental stones of which the same may be said.

One of the most valuable products of the province is coal, the essential in which our Pacific coast States are the poorest. The white man's attention was first attracted to this coal in 1835 by some Indians who brought lumps of it from Vancouver Island to the Hudson Bay post on the mainland, at Milbank Sound. The Beaver, the first steamship that stirred the waters of the Pacific, reached the province in 1836, and used coal that was found in outcroppings on the island beach. Thirteen years later the great trading company brought out a Scotch coal miner to look into the character and extent of the coal find, and he was followed by other miners and the necessary apparatus for prosecuting the enquiry. In the meantime the present chief source of supply at Nanaimo, 70 miles from Victoria and about opposite Vancouver, was discovered, and in 1852 mining was begun in earnest. From the very outset the chief market was found to be San Francisco.

The original mines are now owned by the Vancouver Coal Mining and Land Company. Near them are the Wellington Mines, which began to be worked in 1871. Both have continued in active operation from their foundation, and with a constantly and rapidly growing output. A third source of supply has very recently been established with local and American capital in what is called the Comox district, back of Baynes Sound, further north than Nanaimo, on the eastern side of Vancouver Island. These new works are called the Union Mines, and, if the predictions of my informants prove true, will produce an output equal to that of the older Nanaimo collieries combined. In 1884 the coal shipped from Nanaimo amounted to 1000 tons for every day of the year, and in 1889 the total shipment had reached 500,000 tons. As to the character of the coal, I quote again from Mr. Dawson's report on the minerals of British Columbia, published by the Dominion Government:—

"Rocks of cretaceous age are developed over a considerable area in British Columbia, often in very great thickness, and fuels occur in them in important quantity in at least two distinct stages, of which the lower and older includes the coal measures of the Queen Charlotte Islands and those of Quatsino Sound on Vancouver Island, with those of Crow Nest Pass in the Rocky Mountains; the upper, the coal measures of Nanaimo and Comox, and probably also those of Suquash and other localities. The lower rocks hold both anthracite and bituminous coal in the Queen Charlotte Islands, but elsewhere contain bituminous coal only. The upper have so far been found to yield bituminous coal only. The fuels of the tertiary rocks are, generally speaking, lignites, but include also various facts intermediate between these and true coals, which in a few places become true bituminous coals."

It is thought to be more than likely that the Comox district may prove far more productive than the Nanaimo region. It is estimated that productive measures underlie at least 300 square miles in the Comox district, exclusive of what may extend beyond the shore. The Nanaimo area is estimated at 200 square miles, and the product is no better than, if it equals, that of the Comox district.

Specimens of good coal have been found on the Mainland in the region of the upper Skeena River, on the British Columbia water-shed of the Rockies near Crow Nest Pass, and in the country adjacent to the Peace River in the eastern part of the province. Anthracite which compares favorably with that of Pennsylvania has been found at Cowgitz, Queen Charlotte Islands. In 1871 a mining company began working upon this coal, but abandoned it, owing to difficulties that were encountered. It is now believed that these miners did not prove the product to be of an unprofitable character, and that further exploration is fully justified by what is known of the field. Of inferior forms of coal there is every indication of an abundance on the mainland of the province. "The tertiary or Larimie coal measures of Puget Sound and Bellingham Bay" (in the United States) "are continuous north of the international boundary, and must underlie nearly 18 000 square miles of the low country about the estuary of the Fraser and in the lower parts of its valley." It is quite possible, since the better coals of Nanaimo and Comox are in demand in the San Francisco market, even at their high price and with the duty added, that these lignite fields may be worked for local consumption.

[Concluded on Saturday.]

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When the buck saw the cows capering away he came to a sudden stop. The bull immediately faced the strange animal, bellowed savagely and began to paw up the dirt. At first the buck acted as if he didn't know what to make of the noisy bull's actions. He backed off a few feet and the bull slowly followed him. Then the bull made a lunge at the buck with lowered horns, and the buck got out of his way by bounding to one side. This was repeated a number of times, the bull becoming more angry at each failure to gore the buck, while the buck eyed his noisy antagonist and kept out of his reach.

Finally the buck began to get mad at the way the bull was making him shift his ground. When the bull again lunged at him he uttered a loud bleat, bounded into the air and struck the bull in the neck. One of the bull's horns pierced the buck's shoulder, and then the buck's fighting nature was aroused to the highest pitch. He danced all around the bull, jammed his prongs into the bull's sides, struck him with his sharp hoofs and didn't give the bull another chance to gore him.

Soon the buck's energetic and fierce attack completely demoralized the bull. He made one more effort to down his lively antagonist but failed to hook him, while the buck got in another telling strike on the bull's ribs. Then the bull gave a bellow of rage, turned tail like a flash and ran at the top of his speed to where the cows were huddled. For a moment the triumphant buck stood and gazed at the fugitive bull. Then he whirled, legged it up the hill, scaled the fence and disappeared in the forest. The bull was so badly injured that Mr. Goodrich had to kill him.

JOKES OF THE DAY.

GEORGIA has a woman train dispatcher. Every small boy knows of a woman switch-tender. — Washington Star.

BRIDGET—"They say, mum, that the lady that lived in these rooms last was insane." Lady (just moving in)—"I can well believe it. She left the flat clean behind her."—N. Y. Press.

MISS GUSHINGTON—"Is that Dr. Drake? What a splendid looking man! He's a perfect Achilles." Uncle George—"Yes, and like Achilles, he's all right except in his head."—Boston Transcript.

HUNGRY HIGGINS—"Say, pardner, don't you wisht you had all the gold twenties you could carry?" Weary Watkins—"Not if I had to carry them very far."—Indianapolis Journal.

MISS FANNY—"If you don't quit hugging me I'll call out." Billy Simpkins—"Don't do that; Your father might hear you." Miss Fanny—"Great heavens, how stupid of me! I forgot all about him."—Figaro.

"IS IT farrummin' Dennis O'Maley is goin' ter thry?" said a laboring man. "It is that same." "Why," rejoined the other, scornfully, "he don't know enough about farrummin' to plant 'is feet in the road and raise dust."—Cape Ann Advertiser.

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THERE are three hundred newspapers published in Fleet street, London, eleven of which are dailies.

BRET HARTE says he can get three times better pay for his writings from English than from American publishers.

OUIDA is in a most dejected frame of mind about the literary middleman or syndicate organizer, whom she describes as a pig-dealer, a maggot and a toadstool.

FORTY-SEVEN newspapers are published in the republic of Ecuador. Of these fifteen are published in Quito, the capital, and twelve in Guayaquil, the principal seaport.

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WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH KINGSTON?

The election in Richmond, N. S., where the Tory majority last March was comfortably large, has been fixed for January 21. First North Lanark, then Glengarry, then Richmond, the smallest Tory majority in any one of which was over 300. Yet Kingston and Quebec West were vacant before any of these, and no move is made to bring on the elections there. The question is, why should the Government be so much afraid of Kingston? Sir John's majority was over 400 last March. Perhaps the party managers are a little doubtful lest the descent from Sir John Macdonald to "Jim" Metcalfe may cause too great a shock to even the Conservatives of Kingston. It may also be that it is not so easy to pick up $15,000 to spend in Kingston as it was last winter, when the Public Works swag and the Red Parlor fund were available. From all accounts the buying of votes on Sir John's behalf then was very much overdone, greatly to the regret of the fund disbursers when they discovered the fact. It is quite likely that their sorrow is no less poignant now, when they see how much more need there is for the "boodle" in the present contest. It is quite plain, at all events, that the Government does not feel sure of Kingston, or it would fix the date for the election. As to Quebec West there is not so much cause for surprise, since Thomas McGreevy's majority there was small, and now that he is gone there is no candidate to be found of equal strength.

PARLIAMENT.

It is semi-officially announced from Ottawa that the Dominion Parliament will meet on February 10, a date supposed to be far enough away to allow of all the bye-elections being held. As some of the election trials have not yet been completed, there would appear to be some doubt on this point, but it is possible for all seats now vacant to be filled by the 10th of February, if the Government's action is tolerably prompt. The plan is evidently to hold elections first in a few constituencies on which the Government believes it can depend, and then bring the many others on almost simultaneously. It is hard to see why all the constituencies should not have been treated alike, and the elections held on the same day, unless it is because the Government is not confident of its strength. The plan it has adopted is that of political tricksters, not of statesmen sure of their good standing before the people.

It is somewhat remarkable that with the meeting of Parliament so near the re-organization of the Cabinet is still apparently so far off. Scarcely a move has been made in this direction, although the country was told months ago that the work would be done at once. All that has so far been accomplished is the shifting of Mr. Chapleau and the admission of Mr. Guimet, who has not even been assigned a portfolio. These things were done because Mr. Chapleau showed his teeth and frightened Mr. Abbott into compliance with his wishes, and it may be inferred that without this coercion from the obstreperous Secretary of State there would not have been the slightest attempt made to reconstruct the Cabinet. Sir John Macdonald's seat at the Council board is still vacant, a successor to Sir Hector Langevin is wanted, and the prospective vacancy to be caused by the appointment of Dewdney as Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia will have to be filled. The Premier no doubt finds many difficulties in his way, but the country has a right to expect the needed re-arrangement to be made without so much delay.

Supposing that the Government meets Parliament in reconstructed form, and with a fair measure of success at the bye-elections, its troubles will not then be over. It will still, so far as can be seen, have to carry on its back such old-men-of-the-sea as Caron, Chapleau and Haggart, who have been plentifully whitewashed by even Sir John Thompson, the pure man of the Cabinet. That delightfully hypocritical gentleman is now stumping the vacant constituencies and complaining of the Opposition's "policy of slander." That is rather good, but it may remind the people that there are more "slanders" yet to come, and that the Government during the approaching session will have to face revelations perhaps worse than those of the past session. No wonder honest Sir John is afraid of the people's judgment on the corruption of his Government, and tries to make out that the nasty revelations of last session are only Opposition "slanders." When next session's work is finished he may have yet more cause to be afraid.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Australian federation scheme seems to hang fire still. First in one quarter and then in another obstacles come in its way. The Victorian Parliament was prorogued on Tuesday, and in the closing speech from the throne regret was expressed that difficulties had arisen in dealing with the commonwealth bill. At the same time the belief was expressed that the federation of the colonies was only delayed, not defeated. It is to be hoped that the colonies will be able to compose their differences, which arise largely from mutual jealousy, and that the commonwealth will soon be an accomplished fact.

Japan is now in the midst of an election campaign, the House of Representatives of the Diet having been dissolved on December 25. It seems that the Opposition in the representative body has been indiscriminately opposing all Government measures, and the Government wishes to test popular opinion on the course of its opponents. It makes three specifications regarding the Opposition's policy, and asks the people to pronounce on them. These are:

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MONTHLY STATISTICS.

The Returns for the Month of December—Increase in Burials.

There were 31 burials in Ross Bay cemetery during the past month. Of these 26 were whites and five Chinese, three of the former being still-born. In 1890 there were 15; in 1889, 16; and in 1888, 22.

MARRIAGES DURING 1891.

During the past year Sheriff McMillan has issued 238 marriage licenses, as follows:—January, 12; February, 9; March, 15; April, 20; May, 20; June, 15; July, 14; August, 20; September 21; October, 32; November, 29, and December, 31.

FIRE RECORD DURING 1891.

The chief engineer of the fire department reports 57 alarms and fires during 1891, with a loss estimated at $10,970. During January the loss by fire amounted to $50; February, $595; March, no loss; April, $2500; May, $5; June, $275; July, $10; August, $725; September, no loss; October, $5075; November, $10; December, $1725. In nearly all the fires the buildings and contents were insured. Chief Deasy has been four years in office, and reports that the highest loss during his term was during 1888, when the damage done by fire amounted to $16,500. During 1889 the record shows a loss amounting to $8,500, and during 1890, $10,795, making a total of $46,765 for four years.

POLICE RETURNS.

The number of cases to come up in the police court during the past year was 1434, as follows: 1067 whites, 25 Chinese, and 116 Indians. The returns for December are: One infraction of Mines Act; 40 drunks; two fighting; three supplying liquor; five in possession of intoxicants; nine stealing, one obtaining goods under false pretenses; three vagrancy; two unsound mind; and one injuring property.

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Curious Story of the Breast Bone of a Brant That Was Shot in Alaska.

A very surprising curiosity has been placed in the National museum. It is the breast bone of a wild brant transfixed by an arrow. The bird, which weighed about fifteen pounds, was shot in the Kankakee marshes, Indiana, with a gun and subsequently eaten, but the part of its anatomy mentioned was preserved.

Once upon a time—it must have been some years before, so a Washington Star reporter was told—this particular brant was summering in Alaska, where others of its species gather every year for the purpose of mating. An Indian shot at the bird with an arrow which had for its point a piece of a deer's rib seven inches long. His aim was so true that the weapon went clear through the "keel" of the fowl's breast bone and stuck there, the shaft falling to the ground. It is in this way that the natives of those parts make their arrows, in order that the shafts may not be lost. The latter fall when the game is struck and are picked up again.

Though transfixed in this fashion the brant was too sturdy a bird to yield its life so readily, no vital organs having been touched, and it calmly flew away, doubtless to the disgust of the hunter. After awhile the wound healed and the fowl managed to get along very comfortably with the deer's rib through its breast. Years afterward it was slain with more sure leaden shot in Indiana, and now its breast bone has been deposited at the National museum of this city. Its tragic history is known thus in detail because the arrow-head itself told it all. Each Indian tribe in Alaska makes its weapons after a pattern peculiar to itself, and Prof. Mason has thus been enabled to determine that the brant was struck with the arrow on the Yukon river and nowhere else. Furthermore, he knows positively at what part of the Yukon the thing occurred, and he can even locate the spot within two or three miles. It is an affair quite unique that a bird should be thus impaled and yet carry the instrument of death so long and in such a manner. Besides, the story has additional interest in the bearing it has upon the study of this bird's migration.

The arrow head is stuck through the keel of the breast bone precisely at right angles with the latter, projecting on either side about an equal distance. To protect the bird's flesh against its irritation bony material has been deposited around the weapon for half an inch each way. The piece of deer's rib was straightened by the maker of the arrow with a sort of wrench in the process of manufacture, after which it was shaved down and polished to a fine point. Near the butt end of it is a single barb, for the instrument is of the character known as a rankling weapon—that is to say, after entering the flesh of the victim it works its way into the vitals, eventually causing death. An Indian thinks nothing of following a deer thus wounded for many days in the expectation of securing the prey finally

SNOW ON THE MOON.

Remarkable Discoveries Made by Lick Observatory Astronomers.

Remarkable discoveries have been made at the Lick observatory, says the Detroit Free Press. Prof. Holden, the director, has secured through the big telescope better photographs of the moon than have been taken anywhere else, and the work of photographing goes on every hour when the satellite is visible. By studying these photographs with a magnifying glass and comparing them any changes taking place on the surface of the moon may be discovered.

The astronomers on Mount Hamilton have discovered some things that nobody else ever saw, but they have not determined whether these are new features or things that are too small to have been seen through a less powerful telescope. For example, upon the top of one of the mountains of the moon the photograph shows a luminous white spot that looks like snow. If that is snow and if it was not there before, the presence of an atmosphere is indicated. It has been believed that the moon has no atmosphere and therefore unhabitable; but if it should be demonstrated that snow falls upon the surface of the satellite, the accepted theory would be upset and astronomers would begin to study the moon with new and greater

An Underground Lake.

An underground lake has been discovered three miles from Genessee, Idaho. It was found by a well-digger. At a depth of sixteen feet clear, pure lake water ran out over the surface for a time, then settled back to the earth's level. The most curious part of it, says the Boise Statesman, is that fish were brought to the surface on the overflow. "They have a peculiar appearance and are sightless, indicating that they are underground fish. The spring has attracted much attention and many farmers in the vicinity fear that their farms will drop into the lake."

Santa Claus-Kerr & Begg

We just long for the meeting, to smile you our greeting—
We're across from the Bank of B.C.
Take warning we're cheapest, and 'tis where the rich heap is
Of presents to hang on the tree.

Cook & Irving

Have purchased the Bee Hive saloon at the corner of Fort and Broad streets.

45 Johnson St. for cheap tools.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—U. S. Gov't Report, Aug. 17, 1889

Royal Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

THE CITY AND DISTRICT

Use "Highland Brand" Evaporated Cream.

Miner Killed.

A negro miner was killed in No. 5 spit, Wellington, yesterday, by a fall of coal.

Nominations Last Evening.

A meeting of the Knights of Pythias was held last evening, when nominations for offices for the ensuing year took place. The election will be held next month.

Great Reduction in Prices.

Flour, sugars, teas, coffees; all kinds of meats and fish, dried and preserved fruit, etc., etc. Before buying elsewhere call and get price list. 106 Yates street.

Not Badly Hurt.

The cover of an express wagon was lifted off by the wind on Yates street this morning, carrying the driver with it. The horse started to run, but was stopped by Officer Redgrave before it had gone far. The driver was slightly injured.

Geo. A. Shade

Has removed to 81½ Yates street, opposite the Clarence hotel where he is prepared to make and repair boots and shoes at short notice. All kinds of rubber goods repaired. Satisfaction guaranteed or no charge. 1m

Presentations.

The choir of the First Presbyterian Church at Cedar Hill a few evenings ago presented their organist, Miss Irving, with a handsome workbox. The ladies' society at the same time presented Mrs. McRae, the pastor's wife, with a very pretty tea cosy.

Wish You a Happy New Year.

In accordance with a time honored and well observed custom, THE TIMES' staff will rest from their labors to-morrow, New Year's day, and will spend the holiday gathering fresh ideas for the new year, very many of which are wished for everybody all round.

A Dangerous Place.

For some days past the fence has been blown down along the edge of the hole on Government street, where the Canada Western Hotel is some time to be built. Orders have been given to have the fence rebuilt, but so far it has not been done. As it is now an accident is very possible.

New Year's Ball.

Prof. J. Oliver will give a grand ball on New Year's eve. Refreshments will be provided. All wishing to enjoy a pleasant evening and to have the last dance of this year and the first of next will have an opportunity. Good music will be in attendance. Admission, gents, $1; ladies free.

All kinds of cutlery at Fox's, 78 Government street.

Twenty-Second Appropriation.

The twenty-second drawing for an appropriation in the Victoria Building Society was held last evening and resulted in No. 7 being successful. This number is divided as follows: Share 7, A. Mrs. V. Clanton, $1000; share 7 B. D. Banfield, $1000; shares 7 C and D, J. A. McNeill, $2000.

Winter is Here.

Winter is here and the snow is falling in the vicinity of Messrs. B. Williams & Co.'s clothing establishment, at 97 Johnson street. Come and see if our display of Christmas gifts, comprising silk handkerchiefs, ties, scarfs, cuff buttons, scarf pins, silk umbrellas, fancy braces, gloves, etc., is not the finest in the city.

Valuable Information Free.

In a short time hence, do not say "If I had known, what I know now, I would have bought some lots in Alberni City." We tell you now that "Alberni City" is destined to become the great commercial center and metropolis of British Columbia. Get the [illegible] from O'Neill & Cowie, 104 Yates street, Victoria, B. C.

K. of P. Ball.

Far West Lodge, No. 1, Knights of Pythias, will hold their annual ball on the 19th February, which will be the 28th anniversary of the organization of the order. The ball committee held their first meeting on Monday evening and appointed sub-committees. The Knights intend to make their ball a grand success.

Handsome Pictures.

Mr. Allan Cameron, local agent of the C.P.R., will not remove to his new office at the corner of Government and Fort streets for several days yet, as there are several ornaments for the office on the way from the east. Among these are six handsome pictures made in Montreal especially for this office. The pictures are valued at $1000, so that they will be handsome ornaments.

Hospital Directors Meet.

At a special meeting of the directors of the Jubilee Hospital held yesterday afternoon, Mr. Joshua Davies in the chair, the treasurer was authorized to raise $25,000 by mortgage on the hospital property at 7 per cent. The loan is to be used in raising the old mortgage, paying the balance of the furnishing account and completing necessary improvements.

Silverware Xmas presents at 45 Johnson St.

Returned From the East.

D. E. Brown, of the C.P.R., who went east to Montreal with the crews of H.M. Ships Champion and Pheasant, returned last evening by the City of Kingston. After leaving the train at Montreal, Mr. Brown visited New York, Boston and other eastern cities, returning by the way of Salt Lake City. He spent Christmas in the latter place and has gone home to Vancouver for New Year's.

Crossley and Hunter.

The meeting of last night was one of the most interesting and impressive of the series now closing. Rev. Mr. Hunter read and commented upon the story of the healing of Naaman the Syrian. Rev. Mr Crossley preached a sermon founded upon the words of St. Paul, "Whose I am, and whom I serve." At the close of the service a large number remained for the enquiry meeting. To-night the regular service will commence at 8:30, instead of 7:30 p.m., and from 10:30 p.m. till midnight a watchnight service will be held. The evangelists will bid farewell to Victoria at the meeting to-morrow evening, and proceed on Saturday to Nanaimo.

Undyed Wool Flannel and Health Underwear

Our third year with these popular goods. Wm. Wilson & Co. *

Carving sets at Fox's.

Have Arrived.

The turkeys have arrived. If you want a choice bird for Christmas call early at B. Gordon's. *

Table mats at Fox's.

Carmichael & Paterson

Have a beautiful assortment of gents, plush and fancy slippers, which they are selling cheap. See these goods. 35 Johnson street. tf

Arrived O. K.

A fine stock of Razor Strops; a complete line of shaving materials, e.c. Pocket Cutlery, Scissors, Table Cutlery direct from Sheffield, at Fox's, 78 Government street. Call and examine. *

Victoria Columbia Lodge.

The annual installation of officers of Victoria Columbia Lodge, No. 1, B.C. R. A.F. and A.M., will take place on the evening of Thursday, the 7th prox., at 7:30 p.m. Sojourning brethren in good standing are cordially invited.

Get Your Carpets Cleaned.

All kinds of carpets cleaned and made to look like new, with our new renovating process. Rugs cleaned. Victoria Carpet Cleaning Works, office 102 Douglas street, Pierre block, works corner Pembroke and Quadra. F. L. Nelson, prop.

Arbitration.

The evidence in the arbitration case between Contractor Burkholder and the trustees of the Pandora Avenue Methodist Church, was all put in this forenoon and the arbitrators—Messrs. McKillican, for Burkholder, Hooper, for trustees, and Ridgeway Wilson, umpire—are now considering the award, which it is expected will be made in the course of a few days. The amount in dispute is considerably over $10,000.

In a Very Weak Condition.

Mr. Hannan, who made such a desperate attempt on his life yesterday, is in a very weak condition. Dr. Milne had him removed to the Jubilee Hospital yesterday afternoon. He rested lightly last night and seemed refreshed to-day. He may last a week, but scarcely longer.

Mr. Hannan was a soldier in the U.S. army during the late rebellion, and last night Consul Myers received notice that he had been awarded a pension of $12 per month, commencing the 19th of last March. Had this news come quicker, perhaps the rash act would never have been committed.

The Queen City Shingle Mill.

To those who have never seen a shingle mill in operation, a visit to Mr. W. E. Losee's new mill at Porter's wharf would be interesting. This mill, which has just been started up, is fitted with a shingle cutting machine capable of turning out 60,000 a day. Two jointers, a bolting saw, and an automatic saw gumming machine are used. The latter is the first of its kind in the province, and is an ingenious piece of machinery. Power is given by a 30 h.p. horizontal engine, which can easily drive much more machinery. Two weavers are kept busy putting the finished shingles into bunches. Seven men are employed now, with more to be taken on shortly. The cedar is to be brought from the mainland, it being found cheaper to procure it from there than from up the railway line. The plant for the new mill is all from the works of the Wm. Hamilton Manufacturing Company of Peterboro, Ont.

A Row on the Premier.

Captain O'Brien, of the Premier, owned by the C. P. N. Co., of this city, has been having more trouble with his officers. From what could be learned from those who came over on the Kingston last evening, it appears that Capt. O'Brien entered Purser Munro's room, and a fist fight followed, both combatants being laid up as a consequence. Captain O'Brien has frequently had trouble with his officers. Mr. Munro was on the northern boats running from here for a number of years and went to the Sound to relieve Purser Whittier. Mr. G. A. Carleton, general agent of the company, went over last evening to try and arrange matters. It is understood that both Purser Munro and his night clerk, Wm. Vaughan, have sent in their resignations. They have been in the company's service for a number of years, having held positions on different boats and were well and favorably known by all travelers.

The Pavilion License.

After the TIMES had gone to press last evening the witnesses for the defence in the Pavilion license case were called. Charles P. Bloomfield, who followed Mr. Miller in the witness box, stated that the court that granted the license sat at the schoolhouse near the Royal Oak. He conducted the case for the applicants. He had never known of an application for a license in the district being considered in the Bastion square courthouse. Chief of the Police Hussey, who was present, when asked if he knew anything against the applicants answered that he did not. When the magistrates were about to grant the license Mr. Hussey presented a petition against the granting of the license signed by Mr. Wooley and others. None of the signers were present, and he, witness, objected to the petition being given any weight. Mr. Wooley was the only resident of the district who signed the petition against the license. James H. Close and James R. Berry, the owners of the Pavilion, were also put in the witness box, after which counsel summed up the case. His Lordship reserved his decision.

Linen Crumb cloths at Weiler Bros

To Builders.

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Who?
Santa Claus.
Where?
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Get prices from Victoria Lithograph Company for lithograph work before placing your orders.

THE ROYAL COMMISSION.

MR. KEENE MAKES SOME INTERESTING REMARKS

With Reference to the Sewerage Works Now Under Construction—He Wholly Condemns a Portion of it as Dangerous As Well As Worthless.

There was more than usual interest manifested yesterday in the proceedings of the Royal Commission on civic affairs. Perhaps there is some accounting for this in the general expectation that the commissioners would deliver their report or opinion on the evidence which has been printed. This, however, was not the case. Mr. John Keene, C.E., who has now a lawsuit pending against the city on this question, was not in town when the complaint proper, as set out in the list of charges, was before the commission. He has since returned, and was brought forward by the petitioners with a view to unearthing something new beyond what has already been elicited.

He took the witness stand and the court was strewn with plans and drawings of various sizes and shapes. Mr. Bodwell conducted the examination in chief. Mr. Keene said he had been consulted by Mr. Macdonald with reference to tendering for the sewerage contract, and in his professional capacity had read over the specifications and bills of quantities carefully. These contemplated digging the trenches to a certain depth and width, and for the original sewer a piece of false work, or model, was to be placed so as to give it a perfect egg shape. But what has really been done is that trenches have been excavated to a certain grade, and in the centre of that trench excavations have been made about 12 inches square, and a wooden box 8x8 of two inch lumber has been placed down the centre of this sub excavation. On the top of that eight-inch box a series of two-inch planks have been placed from end to end. On the top of that again there has been put a certain amount of concrete the thickness of which varies from three inches in one place to nine in another. The chief defect of this is that the main sewer, instead of resting upon virgin soil and an imperishable foundation is resting upon a springy, perishable and moving base, subject to decay from either dry or wet rot, besides the chances of the concrete giving way and causing a fracture. In the latter event the liquid matter filters through the concrete drain into this box sewer, saturating the soil all round. As a matter of fact there is a leak at the present time. This sub drain was put in to keep the water out of the main trench, but once that is finished the sub drain has served its purpose and is no more use. It is a cheaper method than having pumping stations at intervals, although pumping has to be done as it is. As to the width of the excavation for laying the pipe (as called for in the specifications) Mr. Keene thought the width required was too much. In the case of the 12-inch pipe, the width is described as three feet three inches, whereas two feet are ample for laying that size pipe. The insisting on the excavation of the three feet three inch would make a material difference to the contractor tendering, much more so than if he was left to his own judgment as to what was necessary. It made a difference in the tender submitted by Mr. Macdonald. Enquiries were made on this point, and Mr. Macdonald was told that the particulars in the bills of quantities and specifications would have to be carried out, otherwise there would be a deduction made for all the work not executed. Mr. Keene read the clause in the specifications enforcing this.

Mr. Richards cross-examined. He asked witness if any good could result from this exposure, if exposure it could be called, of a defect in construction now that the work was all completed and covered up. Mr. Keene answered that a great deal of good can be done by taking measures now. Supposing in five years' time, if the work should last so long, the sewer collapses, or is thrown out of shape through fractures, then then the whole of the sewage delivered into that main sewer from the subsidiary mains will sink into the surrounding earth. He advised taking up the whole thing and doing it over again properly. Witness denied having originated this charge for the purpose of getting a point against Mr. Mohun. Taking up the entire work and reconstructing it as he advised would be the cheapest way in the end. If a leak occurs the effect will be to endanger the whole system of sewerage, as well as the health of the people, which is of the utmost importance.

Mr. Keene stated that the manner in which he discovered the leak referred to was quite accidental. He was walking along by the main sewer in company with Mr. Stamford one day last September. They were talking about the work and examining it casually as they went along. They found a spot in the bed of the sewer where it was perfectly dry, yet the water was flowing above it. It was at once seen that there must be an outlet somewhere, and it was discovered to be a break in the concrete through which Mr. Stamford was able to push the blade of his knife into the woodwork beyond, but whether this water ran into the box drain beneath or into the ground could not be seen. This was between Cook and Moss streets. Further on from this the water was discovered to be running not in the direction of Clover Point, but back towards the city. All this part was then open and the work of construction going on. It is now closed up and it would be a difficult matter to discover a leak. The rest of Mr. Keene's evidence was mainly technical, relating to questions of detail in construction. In this he stated that the plans of Mr. Mohun were accepted only after certain alterations and changes (taken from Mr. Keene's) had been added by Rudolph Hering.

Mr. Frederick Adams gave evidence as to Mr. Macdonald's having tendered for the sewerage contract. He was Mr. Macdonald's foreman. The tender was submitted on the understanding that the trenches were to be dug to the width mentioned in the specifications, and, further, they were told that these specifications would have to be adhered to. Had Mr. Macdonald been left to his own judgment as a contractor his tender could have been reduced to fully one-third in this respect.

Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Elford, Mr. Smith and Mr. Sinclair all deposed in a similar sense. Mr. Macdonald considered the width of the trenches, as called for, excessive, and asked if he had to adhere to them. He was told that the particulars would have to be carried out, or the amount for the work not done would be deducted. Since then he had measured the tops of several of the filled in trenches and found them less then the specifications asked for.

The court here adjourned till Monday, when the city will give evidence in rebuttal of that given last by the petitioners. It is likely that this will be the last sitting of the commission.

CHILDHOOD'S HAPPY HOURS.

A Refreshing Sight at the Protestant Orphans' Home Last Evening.

It was a very refreshing spectacle that met the gaze of the visitor to the P.O. Home last evening. The smiling, kindly face of Mrs. Walker, the matron, greeted the visitors at the door, whence she conducted them through the scrupulously clean halls into the large nursery or play room. Here, on one side, was a huge crackling fire, blazing merrily up the chimney and shedding a cheerful glow through the room. On the opposite side were rows of rosy-faced, laughing, healthy, happy children. Thoroughly children, with children's spirits from the cooing baby to the blushing little maiden of fifteen summers.

In one corner was one of those sights that open wide the eyes of children. It was a large Christmas tree, its boughs bending with the innumerable good things and pretty presents. On this forty-two pairs of juvenile eyes were turned with eager expectation. This was not long in being fulfilled.

Right Rev. Bishop Cridge presided over his great bank of wealth, which was admired by the members of the ladies committee as well as a number of their friends and several gentlemen, among whom were Dr. Milne, M.P.P., Mr. James Hutcheson, Mr. John Russell, Mr. Noah Shakespeare, and others. After a little general chat, Mrs. Kent made the children happy in the distribution of prizes, and the manifest pleasure which each present brought to the little recipient found also a resting place in the heart of more than one adult.

The venerable Bishop made some very happy congratulatory remarks to the children, for which he was warmly applauded.

Mr. Hutcheson also spoke, referring to the good financial standing of the Home, and Mr. Russell expressed the hope that the day was not far distant when there would be two homes, one for the boys where they could be taught trades to fit them for the world's battles, and another home for the girls, where she could be given more particular attention in matters of housework.

Dr. Milne, M.P.P., had the hapiness of stating that during the eleven years he had been physician of the Home, he had never seen the children more healthy, happy, or better disciplened than under the matronship of Mrs. Walker, whom he very heartily congratulated on the success attained.

The children closed the evening with some very pretty carols, in which they were trained by the Misses Walker. The latter deserve the warm compliments paid them for the very nice manner in which the children rendered these little pieces.

A very nice present was that given by Mr. Russell, 50 cents to each child in the Home.

Loyal Fenwood Lodge.

The Loyal Fenwood Lodge, C.O.O.F. M.U., opened their new hall last night with a social. It is unnecessary to state that it was a grand success, for the spacious hall beautifully decorated, was crowded to its utmost extent. A long and well ranged programme of some of Victoria's best talent could not help but to draw a big house. The tables were well laded with the best things that could be obtained in the city. Everybody was highly pleased and well satisfied. If the little ones present could not understand the music and song they could clap their hands or hug the dolls so freely distributed among them.

The Pride of the Ridge, I. O. G. Templars, hold a free temperance meeting in the above hall on Monday next, to which all are invited.

Police Court Notes.

The proceedings in the police court were of the usual tame character. Two drunks and an infraction of the street by-law were all that came up for hearing.

In reply to the statement made at the council last evening, Officer Driscoll has made a sworn statement that nothing was taken from the burnt Chinese wash house while he was on duty, except the articles identified and claimed by the representative of the New York hotel. This was by authority of Sergeant Walker.

Christmas Presents.

J. Hoffman, 111 Government street, is making a specialty of Christmas and New Year's presents, and, as he is a most successful dealer in bankrupt stocks, he is offering choice goods at figures not to be touched elsewhere. He is showing jewelry, watches and diamonds, at about half the original cost, and every purchaser of $1 worth of goods has a chance of winning a lady's gold watch, the contest for which closes on Dec. 30th. The variety of Christmas presents shown is as great as the low figures are surprising. Give him a call. de22

Will be Arrested.

A chicken house on Spring Ridge belong to Mr. Reid was entered a few evenings ago and six fowls stolen. The police found the chickens in a Chinese store the owner of which gave a description of boys who sold them. The police know the boys and will arrest them to-night.

Lange & Co.'s

Guessing match is coming off on the first of January, at ten o'clock, at their store, 93 Government street. All having an interest are invited to witness counting of shot.

Nearly All Sold.

Those wanting a barrel of choice eastern apples should call early as their are only a few left. B. Gordon.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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We have received and placed in Stock 243 dozen

KID GLOVES

Comprising full lines of NAP. ALEXANDRE'S, 4 and 6 buttons; and the well-known WEST SIDE Glove, with patented Fasts, Embroidered and Plain. Every pair of the above is stamped { J. HUTCHESON & Co. / THE WESTSIDE. } and is sold with a full guarantee, money refunded if found faulty.

GAUNTLET DRIVING GLOVES—Best quality Calf, in black and colors. Extra fine Driving Gloves, colors only.

Fur and Astrachan Top Lined Gloves, Ladies' and Children's Lined Mitts, Misses' and Children's Kid Gloves.

EVENING GLOVES, in great variety of New Shades, Suede, and dressed, Mousquetaire and Buttons, from 6 to 16 button length. Opera Silk Gloves and Mitts.

GENTLEMEN'S Kid-lined Fur-top and Driving gloves, including the celebrated "Kangaroo Wear Well Glove," also White Kid from 50c. to $1.25 per pair.

CASHMERE—175 doz. Silk Taffeta Lined, and Cashmere gloves; also Astrachan and Ringwood; some choice varieties, and at exceptionally low prices.

SILK HOSIERY—J. & R. Morley's best goods in Pure and Spun Silk.

REAL LACE in Bavaria Point sets, Collars and Cuffs. Honiton Lace in various widths also in sets; Duchess Lace goods in variety.

UNDERWEAR—A new assortment of the "Health Vests." Parties who have been waiting for these goods can now be supplied. Also a full line of R. Pringle & Sons' Hawick celebrated Underwear.

UMBRELLAS—We have received the Samples, and have to arrive about the 5th Dec. the best stock of Ladies, Paragon Umbrellas, that probably ever came to Victoria, prices $2 to $12.50 each.

FURS—We display a select variety. Unsurpassed for style, quality and finish, real Beaver sets.

FUR-LINED CLOAKS—From $15 to $110.

JACKETS AND CAPES—Our second cable repeat order is now due. It is needless to say that these goods have proved eminently satisfactory, and that prices are right, else they would not be in such demand.

N.B.—We have no antediluvian Jackets in stock. Those shown and ticketed so cheap in windows are all this season's make.

SILKS—Lyons, Cashmere and Bonnets' Faille Francaise, Pongee, Japanese, and Surah Silks, in all the newest and most reliable makes known.

HANDKERCHIEFS—An immense variety in Silk and Cambrics; 1 case Japanese Initial and Fancy Border just received. With half dozen a beautiful Lacquered Box given free.

FANS—Hand Painted and Gauze, very choice.

DRESS GOODS—Full lines of staples, including Henriettas, Cashmeres, French Serges, Camels' Hair and Amazon Cloth. Also a few Pattern Pieces which were received late, and are marked at about one-half the price that they would have been had they arrived sooner.

We do not exhibit Plush or Fancy Goods, preferring to keep to our legitimate trade, and consider goods as above advertised will make a more appreciated Xmas or New Year's Gift than the tinsel stuff usually disposed of at this season of the year.

STAPLE DRY GOODS, such as Blankets, Flannels, Sheetings, Muslins, Table Linens, etc., sold as usual at a fraction over wholesale prices.

THE WESTSIDE.

J. HUTCHESON & CO

November 28th, 1891.

KASLO CITY

The Centre of the Great Kootenay Mining District in B.C.

This young and thriving City is situated on Kootenay Lake at the mouth of Kaslo River, within close proximity to the famous Kaslo and Slocan mines.

The discoveries during the present year of numerous mines of remarkably rich ore and great width on Kaslo river and east of Slocan Lake are well known to the public. They have attracted the attention of capitalists and miners all over the continent, and there is no question that these mines, which are tributary to KASLO CITY, will receive more attention than those of any other section of Kootenay.

A spacious hotel has been built for the accommodation of travelers. Stores and other buildings have also been erected. The townsite is being cleared and streets graded so as to forward the large amount of building that will be in progress as soon as material is secured for construction. A trail has been built to the mines, which will be replaced by a wagon road as soon as the work can be prosecuted. The grade to the mines is an easy one. An application for a charter to build a railway line into the mines from Kaslo will be made at the coming session of the Legislature. Everything is being done that circumstances will permit to give easy access to the mines and furnish supplies for the miners. KASLO CITY will have a large population this summer. It will become the supply depot for the richest mining section yet discovered in British Columbia. Unlike many mountain towns, it is most favorably situated on a gentle slope from the waters of a sheltered bay on Kootenay Lake, and is supplied for domestic and manufacturing purposes, by a large stream of pure cold water.

If you wish to participate in the profits that enchanced values will bring, don't fail to invest in Kaslo City. Lots are on sale at the offices of all the Leading Real Estate Brokers in the Province.

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Call or send for further particulars.

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NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifth Annual Meeting of British Columbia Fire Insurance Company will be held at the company's office, 68 Yates street, on Thursday evening, January 21st, 1892, at 4 p.m., when the annual report of the company will be presented. Members of the company are requested to attend.

WM. DALBY, Manager.

Dec. 21, 1891.

FRENCH LAUNDRY

23 VIEW STREET.

M. P. CASTERAN begs to inform the public that he has opened a Laundry at the above address for the cleaning of all kinds of wearing apparel. He undertakes to give entire satisfaction. A trial solicited. de24-1m

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A STRANGE DUEL.

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There is a gentleman in Milwaukee who tells a story that savors more of the days of George III. than of the practical nineteenth century. His name cannot be given, says the Chicago Times, but were it known his tale, romantic as it is, would be accepted without question, as he is well known and respected. Early in August, he said, two residents of Chicago met at a club. They were Dr. Lee, formerly of the United States service, and Lieut. Fairchild, who still wears army blue. During the evening they quarreled. What brought on the quarrel is not known. It might have been a dispute over a trifling matter that developed into something worse, or it might have been a difference over a social game of cards. The quarrel was apparent enough—too much so—and friends parted them.

The next day Lieut. Fairchild, not very much to his surprise, received a challenge. He was a soldier and brave. His reply was prompt. He accepted and named his friend. As to a place, that was more difficult. Dr. Lee offered his own home. Lieut. Fairchild, with chivalric confidence, accepted the proposition. It was agreed that the weapons should be German swords, such as are used in the famous university duels, long straight steel blades sharpened to the keenness of a razor for three inches from the point and dull the remainder.

The two principals, with one second and a gentleman who had been selected as referee, met in the parlor of the physician's home. There had been another second selected, but at the last moment he showed the white feather. However it was decided the fight should go on without him.

Dr. Lee had sent his family away on a visit, which gave the duelists a clear field. The furniture was removed from the parlor, leaving the good-sized room clear of everything but the carpet. Little time was spent in preliminaries, and as the steeple clocks were hurrying on toward the midnight hour the two antagonists faced each other in shirt and trousers, while on either side stood the two witnesses, each with sword in hand. For a moment after they had bowed to each other courteously the two duelists stood facing each other waiting. Then low but sharp and clear came the words: "Ready, go." The bright steel blades flashed and met with a wicked clang that sent the sparks flying. In the eyes of both flashed the fires of hate and battle.

One minute, two, a touch, the swords were lowered reluctantly. Again the blades hissed as they coiled about each other trying to reach the flesh beyond.

The duelists were well matched. Outside of its possible tragical outcome it was a pretty fight. So say the witnesses. The men struggled and fought like vikings of old, with no advantage to either. A half hour passed. Hot and weary, the duelists tried every skill of fencing, every known device, to get inside the other's guard, to no effect. But this could not last forever. Dr. Lee made a sharp attack. His long sword leaped over the guard of his antagonist and the next second a big crimson spot dyed the sleeve of Lieut. Fairchild. The swords were beaten up and an examination made. "A mere scratch," said the wounded man, and he insisted on going on with the fight.

His insistence left nothing but to go ahead. The sword of the physician had passed through the fleshy part of the upper portion of the arm. The wound was bound up and the duelists again took their places. Now the lieutenant fought more cautiously and stood more on his defense. His opponent, rendered confident by success, attacked savagely.

Round and round the apartment, now spattered with blood, the two contestants went, cutting, thrusting, parrying, until, suddenly the lieutenant's sword glided under the physician's arm and a bright red spot appeared on the breast.

Another halt, but the wounded man, at his opponent had done before him, insisted on proceeding. The end was approaching.

Enraged with loss of blood the physician rallied in his guard and again the line of steel sprang forth, and this time when it came back after it poured a crimson torrent. That ended the fight. The witnesses declared honor amply bathed in blood. The duelists agreed and shook hands as gentlemen should. The physician bound up both his own and his antagonist's wounds, sent out for a case of champagne, and in the sparkling flow the two former antagonists swore renewed friendship. Both were laid up for a few days, but convenient excuses were found for the care with which the lieutenant used his arm and the physician protected his breast.

The parlor was cleaned and furniture restored long before the return of the family, and they never knew so ghastly a thing as a duel had occurred there. No more did anyone outside of the four persons who were present until now.

The Adaptable American Girl.

Charles Dudley Warner, in Harper's Magazine, puts the case of the American girl this way: "If the American girl goes in seriously for repose, she will be able to give odds to any modern languid or to any ancient marble. If what is wanted in society is coolness and languid imperceptiveness or lofty immobility, we are confident that with a little practice she can sit stiller and look more impassive, and more with less motion than any other created woman. We pay the confidence in her ability and adaptation. It is a question whether it is worth while to do this to her for the vivacity and charm native to her, and the natural impulsiveness and generous gift of herself which have come to a new race in a new land. She is walking always toward sunrise."

PEOPLE OF NOTE.

RICHARD W. THOMPSON, of Indiana, who was Hayes' secretary of the navy, is the last survivor of the Twenty-seventh congress.

THE Goulds, Astors and Vanderbilts are their own insurers. None of the insurance companies, it is said, can boast of having their names on their lists.

CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW says that a thorough study of Macaulay's Essays gives him that turn of thought and happiness of expression which have made him such a success as an after-dinner speaker.

For the last year or two Mrs. Thurman was rather more active than her husband, and she used to chide him good-naturedly for letting his health suffer for want of exercise. But he has outlived her.

GOV. TOOLE, of Montana, is one of the finest-looking men in the state. He is not more than thirty-eight years old, is tall and well proportioned and has a fine face and a handsome head of hair. His wife is a daughter of Gen. W. S. Rosecrans.

INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE.

THE United States imports more gum for making varnish than any other country.

EXPERIMENTS in growing tea plant are now being tried in southern California.

THE annual coffee crop of the world amounts to 11,000,000,000 pounds.

A BIG sawmill is being built at Thoroholampi, Finland, and equipped with machinery made in the United States.

THE Amsterdam diamond cutters are deploring the restrictions upon the output of diamonds effected by the South African diamond trust.

THE farmers of Kansas propose to organize a business concern which will combine into a vast trust all branches of trade and establish stores all over the state.

THERE are twenty-five mills now working in Bangkok capable of milling 3,375 tons of cargo rice daily, or somewhat less of clean rice. Of these nine are fitted with machinery capable of milling 620 tons of white rice per day.

CURES FOR DYSPEPSIA.

THEY HARMONIZED.—Dukane—"What a fresh young face Miss Shingles has!" Dinwiddie—"Yes, her manners are somewhat fresh, too."—Pittsburgh Telegraph.

LADY (to her maid)—"Haven't you at last found the flowers which you have to put in my hair?" Maid—"Oh, yes, ma'am, but now I can't find the hair."—Die Wespen.

YOUNG HUSBAND—"O, but I am happy now that Laura has given her hand into my keeping for life." Pessimistic Friend—"Still, don't be too exultant. Remember that her other hand is loose."—Fliegende Blatter.

"I SHOULD think life in this flat wouldn't be very pleasant. That factory chimney opposite smokes horribly." "We have one consolation, though." "What's that?" "It doesn't smoke cigarettes."—Buffalo Express.

HE KNEW How To Do It.—Bride—"George, dear, when we reach town let us try to avoid leaving the impression that we are married." George—"All right, Maude; you can lug this valise."—Demorest's Magazine.

RECENT ANIMAL YARNS.

CATS continue growing until they are a year old.

SAN FRANCISCO has a cat that is a confirmed toper. He drinks whisky in preference to water.

GROUND squirrels scattered wheat over the country in Lane county, Kan., and now it is coming up on the raw prairie.

ROBERT SHAW, of Snow's Falls, Me., went to sleep in a field the other day, and when he awoke he was minus a good pair of trousers. Field mice, which swarm in Oxford county, had gnawed the garment into shreds and carried it away.

A FRIENDSHIP between a rat and a dog is the latest curious story of animal attachments. The dog, who lives in Northamptonshire, Eng., is a sworn enemy of all rats except one, and has made a good record for ridding his master's premises of them.

BRIGHT ANSWERS.

SHE—"You will never ask me to do the cooking, will you, love?" He—"No, pet. I have a touch of the dyspepsia already."—Harper's Bazar.

OLD SUBSCRIBER (to editor)—"You gained your suit against the railroad. How much did you get?" Editor—"Nothing. I had a lawyer."—Atlanta Constitution.

"IT is a great pity," said the sportsman's wife after he had told her of his day's experiences. "What is?" he asked. "That a fish can't grow as rapidly before it is caught as it does afterward."—Washington Star.

A WEAK EDITOR.—Eastern Man—"So my old friend Scribbler is editing a paper out west. Is he running it in the interest of morality and good government?" Westerner—"I guess not. He has never been shot at."—Demorest's Magazine.

Prevention is Better

Than cure, and those who are subject to rheumatism can prevent attacks by keeping the blood pure and free from the acid which causes the disease. For this purpose Hood's Sarsaparilla is used by thousands with great success. It is the best blood purifier.

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AFRICAN SAVAGES.

A Tribe That Vanquished One Thousand White Men.

Only a few weeks ago came the news of a terrible disaster to the expedition which Capt. von Zelewski recently led into the interior of German east Africa. He had with him about one thousand men. When about two hundred and fifty miles in the interior, in the country of the Wahehe, he was attacked by that savage tribe. He and nine of his white officers were killed or are missing. Only two of his officers escaped to the coast. The Germans fell into an ambush and were attacked by overwhelming numbers. Many members of the expedition were taken captive, and it is believed that at least three hundred of them were killed, while about three hundred returned to the coast. A battle so costly in loss of men has never before been fought between the whites and natives of equatorial Africa.

It may be interesting, says the Chicago Tribune, to know something of the natives who have inflicted such a terrible reverse upon the whites. The plateau country of Uhehe begins about three hundred miles southwest of Bagamoyo and about one hundred and fifty miles northeast of Lake Nyassa. Along the upper waters of the Rufiji river, which is here known as the Ruaha, the country is surrounded by mountains, through which it is difficult to march. About all we know of the Uhehe is derived from the writings of Joseph Thompson, who was the first white man to pass through this country. He made his journey in 1879, though Barton nearly twenty years before passed through a corner of the country and formed a very unfavorable opinion of the natives. Thompson gave a more flattering account of the Wahehe.

He said they are rather a good-looking lot of negroes, light in color, with fine muscular figures. Their arms at that time consisted of assegais, a stabbing spear and a weapon that was between a billhook and an ax. It is said, however, that they have since obtained good firearms from the Portuguese, and this is the reason, doubtless, they were able so overwhelmingly to defeat the German expedition. They are a pastoral race, depend largely on their cattle for food, and the men never condescend to work in the fields. Thompson said not a single article was stolen from him though the natives did not receive him in a very friendly manner, and he had difficulty in buying food from them.

It is said that Germany will start an expedition at once to punish these warlike natives. It is a curious fact that the events of this year seem to demonstrate that small and comparatively weak parties of travelers go along in inner Africa more safely than large and finely-armed bodies. The great expeditions of Germany in both west and east Africa, and of the French under Crampel, north of the Congo have been terribly defeated and the bloody record of the last twelve months has never before been equaled in the history of African exploration.

FROM TRUTH'S STOREHOUSE.

DARKNESS is the star's fat friend.

WHAT time of day isn't when love stops work?

DON'T try to kill a fly in your neighbor's head with a hammer.

PEOPLE who ride hobbies never pay much attention to the scenery.

DID you ever see a boy who didn't think the clock ran too low?

IF it were not for hunger some men would never do an honest day's work.

A PRINCIPLE is something that we ought to be willing to live and die for.

YOU can tell what kind of a spirit there is in man by the way he treats woman.

YOU can write it down as true that wherever there is love there will be sacrifice.—Ram's Horn.

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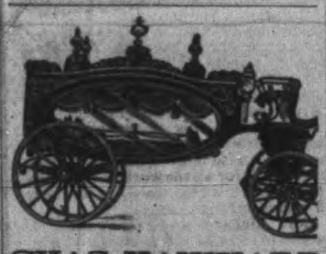

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Specifications can be seen at the office of the Clerk of Works in this Yard, and at the Naval Hospital.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders to be addressed to me.

JAMES H. INNES,
Naval Storekeeper, etc.

Royal Naval Yard,
Esquimalt, Dec. 22nd, 1891. dec22-td

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the next session of the Legislative Assembly application will be made by the Victoria and Esquimalt Telephone Company, Limited, for an act to amend their act of incorporation, by which the said Company may be authorized to erect and maintain telephone lines and poles in and throughout Victoria city and the districts of Victoria and Esquimalt, and that the powers and privileges granted by the said act and proposed amending act may be extended and remain in force for a period of 20 years, and that the Company may be authorized to increase its capital stock, and for other purposes.

BODWELL & IRVING,
Solicitors for the Victoria and Esquimalt Telephone Co., Ltd.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the business heretofore carried on by Robert Ward under the firm name of Robert Ward & Co., merchants, Shippers and Insurance Agents, at 76 Wharf street, Victoria, B.C., has been acquired, and will in future be carried on as from 1st January, 1892, by Robert Ward & Company, Limited Liability, incorporated under the "Companies' Act, 1890."

Victoria, B.C., December 22, 1891. d26-2w

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company to construct, equip, maintain, and operate a line of railway from the township of Kaslo, on Kootenay Lake, westerly along the Kaslo river to the junction of the North and South Forks of said river; thence along the North Fork of Kaslo river to some convenient and accessible point near the headwaters of said North Fork in the vicinity of the mines lately discovered near Slocan Lake; with power to build, maintain and operate branch lines from any point or points on the main line or branch line to any mine or mines which may now or hereafter be located or operated in the section of country adjacent to the Kaslo river, and adjacent to and lying between the North and South Forks of said river.

Dated October 22nd, A. D. 1891.

BELYEA & GREGORY,
Solicitors for the Applicants.
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PRIVATE BILL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session for an Act to incorporate Mary Ellen McTucker (known in religion as Sister Mary Providence) and other persons now members or hereafter to become members of the Roman Catholic congregation of the Sisters of Saint Ann with power to receive, take, and hold by gift, leave, purchase, devise or otherwise real and personal estate of every description and with full power and authority to grant, sell and dispose of the same by sale, mortgage or other wise.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1891.

S. PERRY MILLS,
46 Langley street, Victoria, Solicitor for the applicants. dec11-2m

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for the purchase of the following described land, situated on Barclay Sound. Commencing at the southwest corner of Indian Reserve, Uchalesit Harbor; following the shore line 20 chains southwesterly more or less; thence 15 chains west to shore line of Rainy Bay; thence 80 chains northwesterly along shore; thence 40 chains east to northeast corner of Indian Reserve; thence south 70 chains following Indian Reserve line to point of commencement. Containing about 400 acres, more or less.

GEO. A. COOPER.
Victoria, B.C., Nov. 5, 1891. no5

NOTICE.

FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE I SHALL not be responsible for any debts contracted without my written authority.

W. F. TOLMIE.
Victoria, Sept. 2, 1891. se2-tf

NOTICE.

I WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY debts contracted by my wife or any other person on her behalf.

JOHN J. RUSSELL,
Strawberry Vale Farm
Victoria, Dec. 11, 1891. de12-2f

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a timber-cutting license over the following described tract of land situate at the head of Evans Bay, Reid Island, Sayward District:

Commencing at the southwest corner of Lot 20, Sayward District; thence west 60 chains; thence north 160 chains; thence east 80 chains; south to the northern boundary line of said Lot 20; thence west and south along the boundary line of said Lot 20 to point of commencement; said to contain 1000 acres, more or less.

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otion to accept the resignation met by an amendment to ask trusMcLaughlin to reconsider his reation.

from A. Munro and B. Fraser, asking ate on taxes assessed on improveents.—Referred to city barristers.

From J. Turner replying to an order o have a projection removed from his building on Broad street, and stating that he had fully complied with the by-aw and could see no reason why he hould remove the projection referred o.—Referred to city barristers.

From G. H. Burns, manager of the ank of B.C., stating that the bank authorities had decided to allow 4 per ent. interest on the sinking fund.—cknowledged and spread on the minutes.

From C. E. Redfern, enclosing account for alterations to clock bell, and offering to look after the clock for the um of $200 per annum.—Referred to all committee.

From the city clerk of Vancouver, sking that provisions for the Vancouer leper on Darcy Island be supplied ith provisions, and the bill sent to the ity of Vancouver.—Referred to committee in charge of lepers.

PETITIONS.

From several business men complaining of bad condition of Government reet by reason of work done on the ilby-Wilson block, and asking that something be done.—Referred to street committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Ald. Holland gave notice that he should ask leave to introduce a by-law to control wash houses.

ACCOUNTS

For the month of December were passed for payment if found correct.

BY-LAWS.

The by-law providing for the election of a mayor and aldermen for the city for the year 1892 was read a first time.

The by-law providing for a market superintendent was read a first time.

The Mayor pointed out that it would be necessary to have a special meeting on Saturday to pass the by-law a second time. It was accordingly agreed to meet on Saturday at 2 p.m. to do such urgent business as might come up.

REPORTS.

The street committee reported on several minor street improvements, and recommended that the work be done. Referring to the request of G. Phillips to allow the moving of a wooden building within the fire limits, the opinion of the city barristers was submitted. Said opinion was to the effect that such moving would probably be illegal.—Report adopted.

The fire wardens reported that after due investigation into the causes of the killing of W. Bryce's horse and the injuring of L. Wagner by coming in contact with an electrically charged wire, they were of the opinion that no blame was attributable to the city.—Report adopted.

PARK ROADS.

The following resolution was carried: "That inasmuch as this council have passed a resolution granting Mr. McBean permission to use the roads in the park for heavy traffic, the said Mr. McBean should be informed that the indiscriminate use of all roads and lanes in the park is not given; also that it will be necessary for him to put all park roads in repair which he has heretofore been in the habit of using, and to keep in constant repair the roads which he may hereafter be permitted to use."

CITY SCALES.

A motion was carried which places the management of the city scales in the hands of the market committee.

The Mayor suggested that the annual reports be got ready as soon as possible.

The meeting then adjourned.

Useful and fancy Xmas presents at McLennan & McFeely's, 70 Yates street.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

PASSENGERS.

Per str. City of Kingston from the Sound—J C Case, James Bisseldin, Miss Sterling, A Kendall and wife, E A Tolmon, D McCaffrey, Captain James Carroll, J Fox, F M Yorke, D E Brown, Mrs Cottrell, A J Abrams, E Williams, Miss Kiddie, C B Palmon and wife, Mr Ellensville, J Wilson, J A Macdonald, William Allen, Miss Mordaunt, L Johnson, Frederick Payne, Miss Gibson, W H Bainbridge, Mrs Spencer, John Walsh, M Been, H Butler, Geo Payne, C Hall, J Sallons, E M Holbrook, N Boder, D James, C Stephens, Alex Leech and wife.

Per Steamer Islander from Vancouver—H Wilson, J Muirhead, A McCrady, K Peiser, W Hoskins, A Brace, A W Hardie, Clarence Desks, Rev. Coverdale Watson, A Wing, J J Southcott, C Irving, G L Holliday, T McAllister, T Mills, C Simpson, J R Rennie, W Copeland, J Coigdarips, W H Whittaker and wife, A Sire, John Macdonald, G Sutherland, Mrs B B Moore.

Per steamer Victorian from the Sound—Mrs Jones, Joe McLean, Mrs Flemton and daughter, G Hamilton, F Frumber, Wm Dent, D W Raymond, J McGuire, J E McDonald, Miss Jenkins, Mrs McConnell, H Stetnau, G W. Chesen and son, J A Marcin, C H Siebert, W Noble, W Freeborn, W C Whiteway.

CONSIGNEES.

Per str. City of Kingston from the Sound—Campbell & Anderson, J A T Caton & Company, Oppenheimer Bros, R Irving, W Templeman, James Wilson, Simon Leiser, Lenz & Leiser, P McQuade and Son, J H Place, Weiler Brothers, Albion Iron Works, D Wilson, J Walsh.

Per Steamer Islander from Vancouver—Weiler Brothers, Albion Iron Works, D Spencer, J P Baldgie, McKillican and Anderson, J S Graham, T N Hibben Company, R A Brown, H Fletcher, George Powell and Co, H Young and Co, Miss Hart, Simon Leiser, J Englehardt, Braden and Stamford, Hawley and Co, Reid and Hartnagle, Times Printing and Publishing Company, A T Webb, Lenz and Leiser, E G Prior and Co, Sehl Hastie Erskine Company, Todd and Son, R Laperre, R Maynard, Ben Gordon, C Strouss and Co, H Eckert, M R Smith, Turner Beeton and Company, M W Waitt, Lange and Co, Young Bartlett and Co, J Fisher, Spratt and Gray, Taylor Mill Co, Lockwith Thomp on and King, Spore and Anderson, Ledingham Brothers, J Piercy and Co, C M Kay, Lowen and Erb, J Eaterman and Co, R H McMicking, J Leigh, J Pearson, Victoria Electric Company, H H Redmond, Gareche Green and Co, A H Wilson, B C Cattle Company, C P R Telegraph, Cowan and Wilson, F McGuire, G Mesher, J Bushong, W G Ritchie, J Gosnell, H Jewel, Russell McDonald & Co, Clark and Pearson, J Klasman, S Peck, S L Kelly and Son, Pow Ex Co.

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Intense Suffering for 8 years—Restored to Perfect Health.

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A First-Class Family Theatre.

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Alexandre Dumas' Celebrated Drama

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Thursday, Friday and Saturday Nights, and New Year's Matinee

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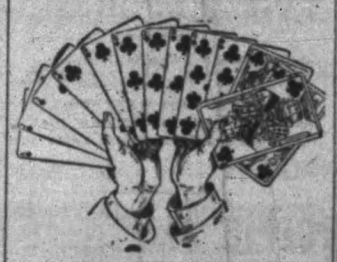

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THE NANAIMO COAL (Used principally for Gas and Domestic Purposes). | **THE SOUTH FIELD COAL** (Steam Fuel).

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SAMUEL M. ROBINS, Superintendent.

Dec. 30.

JUST ARRIVED FOR CHRISTMAS.

Handsome line of Fancy Chairs,
Ladies' Cabinets and Writing Desks,
Reed & Rattan Chairs, Bamboo Easels.

Immense assortment of FANCY GOODS to choose from at

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The offices of the Company have been removed to 40 Government street, the premises lately occupied by the Telegraph Company.

Dec. 30.

PAGE & MacGREGOR

$975—One large Lot on Tennyson road, Cloverdale, on
$425—A fine Lot on either Oak or Chestnut street,
$850—One Lot on St. Charles street, Fort street, on easy
$525—A large Lot on Fernwood road.
$1000—A choice Lot on Beacon street, James Bay.
$750—Lot on Michigan street.
$1100—A large Lot on Fernwood road.
$850—One Lot on Carbonly road, close to car line.
$700—Two Lots on Hereward street, Esquimalt road.
$880—One Lot on Lotzkeim road, on corner.
$625—A large Lot on Lotzkeim road, on corner.
$1495—80 cash and balance
$700—One Lot on Moss street

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TWO NEW HOUSES on Oak Bay avenue, each containing seven rooms.
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MONEY TO LOAN in large or small sums at current rates.
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Get prices from Victoria Lithograph Company for lithograph work before placing your orders.

DEATH.

PIERRE.—In this city on the 30th inst., Mirtie Roberta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Pierre, aged 13 months.

The funeral will take place from the residence, 19 Pioneer street, Friday, January 1st, at 2 p.m. Friends are invited to attend.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MONEY.

The 5th Sale of Money in the Queen City Building Loan and Saving Association, Limited, will be held on the evening of Wednesday, the 6th January, 1892, in the office of the Association, 46 Fort street, at 8 p.m. The preference of $1000 will be sold with the option of an additional $1000 when in hand.

By order, B. WILLIAMS,
dec31d Secretary.

SPECIAL.

Sons of England Benevolent Society.

A SPECIAL MEETING of Lodge Pride of the Island No. 131, will be held in the St. George's Hall on Saturday, the second day of January, 1892, for the purpose of conferring the White Rose Degree. All members requested to be present.

By order, ARTHUR LEE,
dec31-2i Secretary.

FOR ALDERMAN.

To the Electors of James Bay Ward:

Having been requested to again become a candidate for alderman in your ward, I beg to say that I will offer my services at the next civic election, and respectfully solicit your support.

dec31 H. A. MUNN.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

To the Electors, Yates Street Ward:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.—At the solicitation of a number of friends I place myself before you, and respectfully ask your support as a candidate for Yates street Ward.

I am no stranger to you, having been born in Victoria and lived here all my life. As a Victorian I naturally take a lively interest in the welfare of our city, and should you elect me, my every effort shall be directed to the keeping down of taxation, consistent with the due development of Victoria.

Your obedient servant,
AARON LEWIS.

Victoria, December 31st, 1891. dec31-1d

IT GOES THE ROUNDS.

From all quarters of the civilized globe come words of praise of the grand cleansing and labor saving qualities of "Sunlight" Soap. It makes dirt and grease vanish like magic, and brings cleanliness and comfort to millions of homes. Use it. You'll never regret it.

MUNICIPAL.

The City Hall offices will be closed New Year's Day (to-morrow), and Saturday, January 2nd.

JOHN GRANT,
Mayor.

(Colonist copy.)

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3286	693	3132	493
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MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER

THE ALDERMANIC ELECTIONS.

What the Views of the Present Office-Holders are as to Election for 1892.

So far there has been no public intimation from any of the present aldermen of their intention to seek another term of office. They seem to be awaiting the decision of the Royal Commissioners on municipal affairs before signifying their intentions. In this they will be disappointed, for the commissioners will first submit their report to the Governor-in-Council, without, probably making it public, and it is not likely that the report will be published till at least sometime after the municipal elections.

To ascertain the sentiments of the members of the present board on the matter of candidature for another year's office-holding, a TIMES reporter to-day interviewed each one with the following results:

Ald. McKillican, representing Yates street ward, will come out as a candidate for another term.

Ald. Munn, James Bay Ward, has been asked by quite a number of electors to again represent them, and he will again fill his aldermanic chair.

Ald. Coughlan, Johnson street Ward, will again come before his constituents.

Ald. Hunter, James Bay Ward, has not yet fully decided upon his course. He has been asked to again become a candidate, but has not thought the matter over fully.

Ald. Holland, Johnson street Ward, is not sure whether he will run again or not. He has been pressed by his friends, and may consent to sit another year at the board, but it is doubtful.

Ald. Roberts, Johnson street Ward, positively refuses to be an alderman for another term. Says it's too much bother, and he has not the time to attend to it.

Ald. Macaulay, Yates street Ward, will also retire. His health has not been very good of late, and his business requires all his attention. He thinks he has done enough, and will leave his seat.

Ald. Bernard, Yates street Ward, emphatically declines any suggestion that he should again stand before the electors. He is of the most important [illegible] James Bay ward has [illegible] many friends to [illegible] and it is doubtful if [illegible] From there [illegible] will be seen the [illegible] of the [illegible]

next summer. He wants to make a race for June or July.

FOOTBALL.

A match game of Rugby football between England vs. Colonies will be played at Beacon Hill at 3 o'clock to-morrow.

The international match between the Albions of this city and a Seattle team will take place at the Caledonia grounds to-morrow, commencing at 2:30.

THE KICK OFF.

At the Seattle-Victoria game to-morrow, Hon. President McAlpin will place the ball for the kick-off. He will also entertain the visitors and home team at dinner at the Western Hotel in the evening.

CRICKET.

SHEFFIELD'S CRICKETERS WIN.

Lord Sheffield's team played the first match of the tour against the strongest team that South Australia could place in the field, at Adelaide, on the 20th, 21st and 23d of November. The Englishmen won by an innings and 62 runs.

BRIEF LOCALS.

The Day's Doings in City and Province Briefly Related.

When suffering from toothache try Gibbons' Toothache gum. Sold by all druggists.

Have your shoes repaired at Cavin Bros., Douglas St, tf

The annual dance held by the residents of Cedar Hill will take place as usual this year on New Year's night.

Artistic linen and silk lamp shades at Weiler Bros. o 55 Fort street

A special meeting of the Board of Alderman will be held on Saturday at 2 p.m. to pass the market superintendent by-law.

Boots and shoes at greatly reduced prices at Cavin Bros., Douglas St. tf

Shaving sets at Fox's.

The Westminster papers are agitating for a by-law that will provide for the removal of snow from the sidewalks.

A carload of handsome ladies' desks, cabinets, center tables, etc., just in, at Weiler Bros.

Curling tongs and heaters at Fox's.

Easy chairs, piano stools, easels, reed and rattan chairs and rockers at Weiler Bros.

Part of the top of the fire wall of the Kirk block was swept off by the wind this m[illegible] No great damage was done.

caused it to explode. The charge rent ed his head and death ensued instantl.

Second annual meetings of Believers gathering in the name of the Lord w be held, as last year, in the Gospel Ha 154 government street (opposite Pa dora) in this city, on Friday, Saturd and Lord's Day, January 1st, 2nd and 3rd, commencing with a prayer meeting on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. On Friday and Saturday meetings will be held a 10:30 a.m., 3 and 7:30 p.m., for praye praise and ministering the word of t Lord. On Lord's Day 11 a.m. for breaking bread; 3 p.m. ministering the word to Christians, at 7:30 the gospe will be preached. Robert Telfer and D Munro, evangelists, formerly of Scotland, have just come from San Francisco to attend the meetings. They and others are expected to take part. All are cordially invited to attend, specially are the Lord's people of all denominations, urged not to miss this opportunity. Malachi, iii, 16, 17.

A FOREIGN COLLECTION.

THE czar is at work at seven a. m.

THE recent census of Paris shows that 4,507 citizens of the United States reside there.

THERE are about 23,000 physicians and surgeons in the United Kingdom, or one to every 1,600 inhabitants.

THERE are no localities more conducive to old age than the English almshouses. There are nine inmates in the Camberwell workhouse who have reached ages varying from one hundred and three to one hundred and eight years.

THE British debt is so large that if it were divided into £1 notes they would completely cover the state of Ohio three times over. If paid in penny pieces, and each penny piled one above the other, it would make seven columns of copper reaching to the moon.

A GERMAN law of compulsory insurance on wage earners has been in operation for six months, with results that are not regarded as satisfactory. The pensions provided for by the measure are not over $50 a year, and in order to obtain them the pensioner must show that he paid insurance rates for thirty years at least.

DOMESTIC WEIGHTS.

A TABLESPOONFUL of salt is about one ounce.

TEN eggs generally weigh one pound before they are broken.

FOUR tablespoonfuls, or half a gill will fill a common wine glass.

ABOUT twenty-five drops of any thin fluid will fill a common sized teaspoon.

FOUR wine glasses will fill a half pint common tumbler, or a large coffee

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